- (b) growing a transgenic plant from said plant cell, wherein said DNA is expressed

 in said transgenic plant, and wherein said transgenic plant has increased tolerance to an

 environmental stress compared to a corresponding untransformed plant.
- 24. (Twice amended) A plant comprising substantially pure DNA encoding a calcium-dependent protein kinase (CDPK) polypeptide that includes a PK domain, wherein said polypeptide increases the level of tolerance, on a plant expressing said polypeptide, to an environmental stress.
- 36. (Twice amended) Substantially pure DNA encoding a <u>calcium-dependent</u>

 protein kinase (CDPK) polypeptide consisting essentially of a PK domain, said polypeptide being capable of increasing the level of tolerance to an environmental stress in a transgenic plant.

Add the following new claims.

- 49. The method of claim 1, wherein said calcium-dependent protein kinase (CDPK) polypeptide is ATCDPK1 or ATCDPK1a.
- 50. The method of claim 24, wherein said calcium-dependent protein kinase (CDPK) polypeptide is ATCDPK1 or ATCDPK1a.